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YOUNG ARCHERS FROM ACROSS THE PROVINCE WERE IN DRAYTON VALLEY



Mamta Lulla Western Review

The 2015 National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) provincial tournament was in Drayton Valley recently and proved to be the largest one to date with the highest number of participants. More than 900 archers from Grades 4 to 12 competed in the tournament that was hosted at the Oneplex. About 400 local archers from the area represented their schools and competed for top prizes and team categories. Spectators and competitors were also able to participate in fishing, hunting, and archery games, face-painting, and a trade show booth. Turn to page 19 for more bulls eye shots.

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News

Together 70 years and still dancing

Manita Lulla
Western Review

Bill and Phyl Johansson danced their first dance together when they met, and are still dancing all their dances together after 70 years.

Friends and family came together to surprise the couple for their seventieth anniversary at the Legion. Cake, champagne and presents kept everyone busy on an evening of celebration.

The two met each other in Brighton, England where Phyl often went dancing.

"Every Friday night, my friends and I, we went to the dance on Fridays and that's when we met," she said.

Just like the romantic meet-cue, the two got married in a romantic fashion. One day, Phyl was getting dressed by laying out her lined uniform and going for a bath.

"I went for a bath, and when I came out my uniform wasn't there. So I went looking all over my sister's place and I said have you seen

my uniform? And she said yes it's on the bed. She told me to go and see. When I went to look again, there was a wedding gown there," she said.

The couple raised five children together along with 13 grandchildren and describe their life as "wonderful."

"It's been a wonderful life. Sure the usual problems and we solve them in the best way we can," said Bill.

Phyl is a war bride having served in the army for about a year.

"One day I just decided I would join the army. So I was in the army for a year or so. I was a cook there. I enjoyed it very much," she said.

Bill was in the army for about six years as well, and has served in the Air Cadets along with the Town of Drayton Valley as a secretary-treasurer. He was born in Canada and raised in the Winnipeg area before calling Drayton Valley his home.

In July, it would be 71 years since the two met at their first dance.



Bill (right) and Phyl (left) Johansson celebrated their seventieth anniversary recently when their family threw a surprise party for them at the Drayton Valley Legion.

Two names to be added to Wall of Honour

Cathy Weetman
Western Review

The public is invited to watch as the Drayton Valley Legion adds two more names to its Wall of Honour and commemorates VE Day on May 9 at 10:30 a.m.

According to Wall of Honour organizer Frank Newberry, April 1 was the last day for names to be sub-

mitted to the Wall of Honour committee. Nominated veterans must have resided in the Drayton Valley area (Carmichael to Moon Lake, and west of Drayton Valley) for a minimum of one year and be a member of the Canadian or Commonwealth Forces for a minimum of one year and have an honourable discharge certificate.

Newberry said in addition to the unveiling of the

two names, the Legion will also be commemorating VE Day and re-dedication of the Cenotaph/Victory in Europe Day, also known as V-E Day, VE Day, or simply V Day, was the public holiday celebrated on 8 May 1945 (7 May in Commonwealth realms) to mark the formal acceptance by the Allies of World War II of Nazi Germany's unconditional surrender of its armed forces.

Phone scam alert for Drayton Valley and area: cash to be sent for prizes

Cathy Weetman
Western Review

Drayton Valley RCMP are warning residents of Drayton Valley and area to be aware of a recent telephone scam.

The perpetrators of this scam claim to be from one of the three organizations: Winner's International, Publisher's Clearing House and Reader's Digest. When these

organizations contact residents, they are asked to pay a fee as the Western Union kiosk at the Wal-Mart store ringing from a few dollars to over \$500.

RCMP have been receiving several telephone calls over the past few days from residents who complain they have not received their prizes after paying a fee. While these residents, and

especially seniors in the community won't get their money back, they do have an option to help prevent this from happening again.

It is an organization called Phonebusters and they can be contacted at 1-888-495-8501. Remember if somebody is giving money to get money, you can bet it's a scam.

Need to get something off your chest?

E-mail letters to the editor at cathy.weetman@sunmedia.ca

Terrena Rizzoli, D.D.

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Aspen Waste Management Facility
For more details visit www.draytonvalley.ca/calendar/raff-re-use-140/

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May 10 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Bring mom in for a swim and she can swim for free!

ROAD WORK
Expect Delays: May 11 - June 30, 2015
50th Street from Hwy 22 to 26th Avenue
Improvement and paving

ALBERTA SENIORS' BENEFITS AND GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS INFORMATION SESSION
May 12th • 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
55+ Recreation Centre
This will be a two part session covering:

Government of Alberta:
Alberta Seniors
Alberta Seniors' Benefits, Dental and Social Assistance for Seniors, Property Tax Deferral Program and Special Needs Assistance
Service Canada: Services for Seniors
Canada Pension Plan, Old Age Security and Guaranteed Income Supplement
To register for this FREE session please call 780.514.2200

SWIMMING LESSONS REGISTRATION
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

NonQuert and Drayton Valley & District Community Learning Association will transition from their existing Drayton Valley Regional Campus to the CETC in late 2015 with classes commencing in January 2016.

The new Clean Energy Technology Centre will be Drayton Valley's local hub for business incubation, research and development, applied research and will foster the Centre's goals of innovation and technology-based solutions for economic sustainability.

Summer Recreation Assistant
Employment Development Officer
Marketing and Communications Coordinator
Assistant Director of Corporate Services
Concession Workers

Information on Town Employment Opportunities can be found on our website www.draytonvalley.ca/employment-opportunities

The Town of Drayton Valley is seeking the public's input on the proposed PARKS AND PUBLIC FACILITIES BYLAW

Contact Chandra Dyck for any questions or to provide your input at 780-514-2200
The Parks and Public Facilities Bylaw will be presented to Council for second and third readings on June 3, 2015
The Bylaw can be reviewed by visiting www.draytonvalley.ca/bylaws/



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Contact NorQuest College
780-542-5400
Contact Drayton Valley & District Community Learning Association
780-542-3373
To learn more about the CETC and its many opportunities contact Kristina Vallee 780-514-2562

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TOWN OF DRAYTON VALLEY
Spring Clean-up 2015
MAY 11 - 15

The Town of Drayton Valley will be working hard to collect your surplus refuse and bulk items during this week.

Collection will be in quadrants as follows:

Monday	SW Corner	NE
Tuesday	SE Corner	NW
Wednesday	NE Corner	SE
Thursday	NW Corner	SW
Friday	Industrial Road, and Ponderbush Trailer lot	

Please assist our collection by adhering to the following:

- All items are to be ready by 8AM FOR PICKUP in your area.
- Use Tie Downs. All commercial material must be tied in bundles not exceeding 3.4 m length and 2.5 m in any other dimension.
- Maximum pick up per household is limited to 500 KG.
- Residents with large items such as APPLIANCES, FURNITURE, CHAIRS, etc. MUST BE TIED TOGETHER.
- Insulating more than 1 person to collect goods and the Town Office prior to collection day to arrange for pick-up.
- FRIGIDERS & FREEZERS must have Frost removed and be tagged by a person PRIOR to pick-up. If you would like the Town to handle the removal of Frost, you will need to come into the Town Office prior to pick-up and pay a \$20 fee. Only one will your refrigerator be collected on the scheduled pick-up day.
- Household Hazardous Waste or Commercial Waste will not be collected.
- HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE: Household Hazardous Waste such as paint, used oil, antifreeze and chemicals can be dropped off at the Aspen Waste Management Facility during regular operating hours, subject to user fees posted.
- Commercial Waste is NOT accepted and there is NO paid incinerator.
- ASPHEN WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY Tel. 780.542.3919
- Regular hours of operation: Monday - Saturday 9 am - 3 pm Sunday 1 pm - 3 pm
- Waste materials delivered to Aspen are subject to user fees as posted.
- FURTHER INQUIRIES REGARDING COLLECTION, CALL THE TOWN OFFICE AT 780.514.2200

ROAD CLOSURES
Sat., May 9 • 7:00 am to 3:00 pm (approx.)
around Rotary Park
Drayton Valley Triathlon and Drayton Valley Kids of Steel Triathlon
The following roads and alley access will be closed:
46 St between 51 Ave. & 53 Ave.
51 Ave between 49 St. & 48 St. • 52 Ave between 49 St. & 48 St.
For further information please visit www.draytonvalley.ca/Events/

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Next Regular meeting of Council
Wed. May 13, 2015
Council Chambers, Town Office • 9:00 a.m.

Next Governance & Priorities Meeting
Wed. May 6, 2015
Town Office • 9:00 a.m.

Council Proclamations
MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK
May 4 - 10

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News

Impaired driving presentation at FMHS

Justine Kinnison
Western Review

A former peace officer stopped by Frank Maddock High School and talked about the consequences of drunk driving on April 30.

Amanda Stuhl-Oling, keynote speaker, has been giving all over Canada for approximately eight years to hold presentations.

"I started reaching out to schools in Alberta and in business. This was my second time to give a talk in Drayton Valley. The first time, I did a presentation at Conoco Phillips but this will be the first time I will be talking in a school in Drayton Valley," she said. "My main message is to not drink and drive or to not drive while you are impaired by either drug or alcohol and to find other methods."

Stuhl-Oling's presentation is entitled The Impact of One Decision. She said the worst thing presentations in summary of her father, Robin Stuhl, on Oct. 24, 2004, Stuhl was killed at approximately 7 a.m. after a stolen truck being driven by Trevor James Greenway, then 19 years old, collided with Stuhl's car which resulted in both vehicles bursting into flames.

"I am doing it because my dad was killed by a 19-year-old impaired driver

in a stolen vehicle just outside of Drayton Valley in 2004," she said. "I guess it is one of the ways of dealing with the situation and trying to get something good out of something so bad and tragic."

Her presentation started with Alberta's law regarding impaired driving and recounted the story of how her father died.

"I started out with talking about legislation... liability and what happens if you are caught and what Alberta's laws are now and then I moved into what happened to my dad," Stuhl-Oling said. "I started off telling, here was Trevor, he was 19 years old. He went to a bar in Drayton Valley and then decided he wanted to go home to Lloydminster, ended up stealing a truck from (a house), and ended out of town at 5:30 a.m. and ended up causing a head-on collision."

Stuhl-Oling wants everyone to take away the message that impaired driving affects not only the people involved in an accident, but also other people in the community.

"All the harm that one action had caused and how it created a ripple effect to the community and it affected more than one community because he was from Lloydminster and it turned out that his mom worked for my dad's sister," she said. "It shows how one decision impacted a whole lot of people and changed a lot of lives."



Justine Kinnison Western Review

On April 30, Amanda Stuhl-Oling held a presentation at Frank Maddock High School about the consequences of drinking and driving. Stuhl-Oling also recounted the story of a local drinking and driving incident that happened in Drayton Valley about ten years ago that cost the life of a Tomahawk man.

Water treatment plant ready by September

Melinda Latta
Western Review

The new water treatment plant that is over-budget, is under construction and will be up and running in fall of this year.

Originally, the plan was to have it completed by spring, but it won't be up and running until September.

"We had a challenging first winter season of construction that led to a delay and we have had few bits and pieces of equipment a little bit later than we would have liked and that's where we are at," said project manager Jason Kopan with ISL Engineering, who explained the delay.

The challenge wasn't winter of 2014 because the building was up by then, but that wasn't the case the year before.

"It was 2013, and we didn't have the building. Every day you come to work site and there is two feet of snow on the site. You have to clear that off," he said.

The project was initially budgeted to be around \$2.5 million but is now sitting around \$2.7 million.

Kopan explained some pieces of

equipment turned out to be more expensive than originally budgeted along with new technology that came about after the design and before construction.

"We have also had some changes as we went along, between the time the plant that was originally designed in 2010. It was re-designed in 2013, and we kept a lot of the same design features from 2010 to 2013. As we started building the project in 2013, there were different technologies that we could have used to make the plant perform even better and we took advantage of those," he said.

Another budget challenge is converting the old water treatment plant into a raw water plant to test the new plant.

"Right now it just moves treated water up the hill (to the new plant). We just have to make conversions down there too, to convert it, meaning set it to an interim pump house. Get raw water up here, do whatever we need to do here. Bringing the plant online and still have that old plant as a back up, then when we are fully comfortable that this new plant is doing what it's supposed to do. Then we can be commissioned," he explained.

All the testing and satisfying Alberta Environment standards will take place before September.

The old water treatment plant will serve the community through the spring.

"The water quality should stay the same as it has been. We don't have a big run off this year, so the turbidity level should remain lower," said utilities manager Bill Adams.

The new water treatment plant will treat water using the membrane technology, which means water can be treated faster. It also means higher quality water, said Kopan. The old water treatment plant is able to treat eight million litres a day (MLD) which will go up to 18 MLD with the introduction of the new plant.

The new up graded technology would mean less operational costs in the future.

"Upgrades that would mean less operational and maintenance dollars down the road. So we took advantage on those," he said.

Although an operational cost figure for the new plant was not available at this point, it is expected to be higher than the old plant because of the higher capacity to treat water.

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- DV15-036 5809-50 Avenue
CJ-General Commercial District
Fast Food Restaurant
Issued (with conditions): April 24, 2015
- DV15-037 2248-50 Street
CJ-General Commercial District
Restaurant
Issued (with conditions): April 21, 2015
- DV15-039 5406-30 Street
CJ-General Commercial District
Gas Station/Recreational
Issued (with conditions): April 28, 2015
- DV15-046 4921-43 Street
IPU-Institutional and Public Use District
Installation of Signage
Issued (with conditions): April 28, 2015
- DV15-048 3004-40 Avenue
B1A-Low Density Residential District
As Built Deck and As Built Addition
Issued (with conditions): April 28, 2015

APPEAL AGAINST A DECISION OF THE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

An appeal may be made to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by any person claiming to be affected by the aforementioned decisions. Written submissions stating grounds for appeal plus required fees must be received no later than 14 days after the date of Newspaper Publication.

The Town of Drayton Valley
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E-mail: planning@draytonvalley.ca

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Take Part in the Citizen Budget Today! We've already started the annual budget process for 2016 and need your input.

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Visit www.brazeau.ab.ca and click on Citizen Budget 2015 or call us at 780-542-7777 to have a paper version mailed to you. Survey closes May 15, 2015.

Brazeau County, we are listening!

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NOTIFICATION OF MAILING OF PROPERTY TAX NOTICES

Pursuant to Section 311 and Section 506 of the Municipal Government Act, the Combined Assessment and Property Tax Notices for Brazeau County were mailed on April 23, 2015. All assessed persons are deemed as a result of the publication of this notification to have received their assessment notices. Property taxes are due May 31, 2015.

The Assessment Roll is open for review by any person during regular business hours at the Brazeau County Office located at 1001 WHP Road, Drayton Valley, Alberta. If you wish to object to your assessment or any assessment, you must, within sixty (60) days of the date of mailing of the Combined Assessment and Property Tax Notice, lodge your complaint in writing to the designated officer of the Local or Composite Assessment Review Board.

An Open House with the Assessor for Brazeau County will be held Thursday, May 7, 2015 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Brazeau County Office.

To obtain additional information with respect to taxation, please direct inquiries to the Brazeau County Tax Department at 780-542-7777.

Brenda Christie
Director of Corporate Services, Brazeau County
Dated April 27, 2015

UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

- The next regular Council Meeting will be on May 19th starting at 9 a.m.
- Municipal Planning Commission Meeting will be on May 19th starting with an information session at 8 a.m., delegations at 10:00 a.m. For further information, please phone the Planning and Development Department at 780-542-2867.
- Holiday office closure on May 19th
- All Council meetings are held in the Council Chamber and are open to the public.
- Information about Brazeau County employment opportunities can be found in the employment section on our website, www.brazeau.ab.ca/employment or directly at employment@brazeau.ab.ca.

2015 DUST CONTROL PROGRAM

Brazeau County is accepting applications for the 2015 Dust Control Program. Applications may be acquired at the County office, 7401 Township Road 484, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, or on our website www.brazeau.ab.ca.

You will need your rural address (blue sign) to complete the application. Full payment is required at the time of application.

The cost for this service is:

\$200.00 plus GST for Rural Road Residents (200 m)
\$100.00 plus GST for Country Residential Subdivisions (100 m)

Applications should be submitted before May 15, 2015.

For those residents age 65 and older who apply for dust control, you now receive a discounted rate when you provide identification establishing your age. Either show us your identification in person when you apply or attach a copy of your identification to your application if you're mailing it in to us.

For further information, contact the Public Works Department at 780-542-7771

CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Brazeau County is appointing County residents to serve as members-at-large on the Brazeau County Steering Committee. Council invites interested County residents to express their interest in serving on the Steering Committee and attendance at meetings is a requirement for appointment.

LAND USE BYLAW STEERING COMMITTEE

A Six (6) member board consisting of two (2) Councillors and four (4) members-at-large selected from a diversity of interests. There is currently one (1) vacant position.

Meetings will be held between January and July of 2015 with a schedule determined at the end of each meeting of the Steering Committee. Appointments are expected to occur at the May 19, 2015 Council Meeting.

Residents seeking to participate on the committees must indicate their interest by submitting a completed application form available from the County office or the Brazeau County website (www.brazeau.ab.ca) to the undersigned by 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 13, 2015.

Martino Verhaeghe, Director of Planning and Development

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All applications submitted will be presented to Brazeau County Council for consideration at the Council Meeting May 19, 2015.



Reeve Bart Geyen
Councillor Shirley Mahon
Councillor Rita Moor
Councillor Mark Ormrod
Councillor Kara Westlund
Councillor Anthony Heinhack
Councillor Maryann Thompson

News

Jimmy Rankin plays two sold-out concerts

Cathy Weetman, Western Review

Singer Jimmy Rankin, accompanied by friend Jamie Robinson, played the first of two sold-out concerts April 27 at the Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre, and the biggest winner from both nights was the Drayton Valley Food Bank.

Cash donations from the bucket on Monday night totalled \$522.75 and from the second night, donations totalled \$710.80. The EPAC Board and the food bank both said they

really appreciate the support given to this worthy cause. Rankin sang a blend of new songs from his latest album Backroad Paradise, including Backroad Paradise, plus one when he was with the Rankin Family called Monte. On. He also persuaded the crowd into singing the chorus to one of his songs in the first half of his performance.

Rankin said it had been 25 years since he first performed with the Rankin Family and 15 since he became a soloist. He also joked to the audience at the intermission about buying

his cds and other merchandise so his kids could go to college and he could get his van fixed.

The second concert took place the following evening and both performances were part of a cross-Alberta tour for Rankin and Robinson. Rankin added he loves to perform in the small communities away from the large cities because they are really the heartbeats of Canada. They recently returned from a tour of Ontario.

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(top photo) Jimmy Rankin and (bottom photo) friend Jamie Robinson



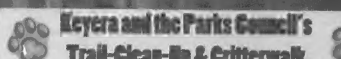
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A VOICE FOR PARENTS

For Wild Rose School Division School Board Trustee

Polls: May 7th 10am - 8pm
• The Max at FMHS
• Violet Grove Community Centre





Keyera and the Parks Council's Trail-Clean-Up & Critterwalk

Join the Parks Council & Keyera for a walk out on the trails and help support Cause for Critters in Drayton Valley! Check out the size of a kind interpretive signs created by students at Evergreen Elementary and do your part to keep our trails clean and green!

Refreshments and trail cleaning supplies provided by Keyera! Prizes! Dogs on leash welcome!

MAY 14th

ROTARY PEMBINA NORDIC COMMUNITY SOUTH TRAILS (near the cemetery)

1:00PM

KEYERA

All donations raised will help support Cause for Critters in Drayton Valley!

*The registration is encouraged, but not required. Please contact Christy_Shelton@keyera.com to register or for more information! *Draw for Cause for Critters doghouse raffle will also be made at this event!

News

Are you ready to meet the Flockers?

Cathy Weetman, Western Review

Watch out for pink flamingos. Do you have a neighbour, friend, family member or business that you want to pull a prank on?

Now is your chance with Meet the Flockers. We're going to do a fundraiser for the Kin Club of Drayton Valley, called Meet the Flockers. We're going to be bringing a flock of pink flamingos to your lawn. For a donation you can have that special someone flocked with pink flamingos and a "you've been flocked by" sign on their front yard. We will also send you a picture that you can email out to that special someone or post on your Facebook page for bragging rights as well,

explained Brian Smith, President, Kin Club of Drayton Valley. "If you don't want to be flocked, especially after flocking someone, you can buy anti-flocking insurance for a low rate of \$15. That means you can no longer be flocked during this great campaign. The flocks are going to land in May and leave at the end of the month, but they'll be back again in September, so

don't miss out on your chance to flock someone." To flock that special someone or to buy anti-flocking insurance, contact Penny at 780-621-0517 or email pinkpen@telus.net.

Smith added that all of the donations will stay in town, and in the past they have gone to a hot breakfast program, Warming Hearts Soup Kitchen, Cystic Fibrosis, food bank and victim services, to name a few.

"We're a club of five members, but we do a lot. Last year's donations in town were over \$20,000 and a fundraiser for STARS will bring in between \$30,000 and \$40,000. In the five years we've done the STARS fundraiser, we've made over \$115,000, including the golf tournament and silent auction. The club is always looking for new members, and they can also contact Penny for information," added Smith.

So watch the skies, make that lawn, for the arrival of the pink flamingos, have fun and help out the Kin Club of Drayton Valley with this ingenious fundraiser.

Mayor McLean, Incumbent McQueen guests at the Derrick Toastmasters 25th anniversary celebration

Special to the Western Review

On May 1, Drayton Valley Mayor Glenn McLean joined the Derrick Toastmasters at the Lakewood Inn and Suites as they celebrated their silver anniversary.

Club President Marc Haine said perfect to the celebration, "We're celebrating the legacy that Drayton Valley's community helped create. We are extremely proud that the Derrick Toastmasters club has been supporting this community with speaking, confidence and leadership training for 25 years."

Peter Kosowan, nicknamed Mc Toastmaster, who founded 164 clubs across Alberta and Saskatchewan, said, "The Derrick Toastmasters is a club I speak of often - my prize club. The first meeting consisted of 40 newbies and was held on April 3, 1990 at Frank Maddock School. The positive attitude and determination shown by these people has never been matched in any of the 164 clubs I've created. They are my heroes!"

"Twenty five years ago, 15 Dale Carnegie graduates met after a political forum and arranged a Toastmasters demo meeting. At the meeting we

elect an executive, set the fee schedule, picked the name for the club and the club was born," noted Kosowan, adding that the Derrick Toastmasters was officially chartered on May 1, 1990.

The club's legacy continues to attract people from across the region. Nick Wilson from Beaumont said, "I like the Derrick club's personality so much so that I made the return trip of more than two hours to attend. It's a fun place to learn leadership skills, on-the-spot speaking skills and develop speech writing techniques while having a laugh - everyone is welcomed to our club with a smile."

Visitors are warmly welcomed to join meetings, and are able to take on roles at their own pace. Public speaking, confidence building and leadership improvement leading to Toastmasters International certifications are accomplished through manuals, lots of positive feedback and some constructive criticism.

Wilson added, "Speech evaluation is excellent experience that can be applied to the workplace in performance appraisal - it's a key part

of leadership. In Toastmasters we use a technique that motivates through positive feedback while giving point of improvement."

Jim Hunter, Vice-President, Operation at Pure ITM, a pipeline inspections company, said, "Our company sends staff to Toastmasters for training because the communications skills they gain help them give presentations to clients, webinars ... and the leadership skills show them how to run meetings and manage a crew. Toastmasters is invaluable."

Toastmasters also offers hands-on experience running meetings, following protocol, and boosts confidence and teamwork skills. Impromptu speaking comes in handy at a job interview, when faced with a difficult question at a meeting, or if a customer asks a question you don't know the answer to while you're on the phone and need help to keep talking while looking up the answer on-line - it's used in many, explained Haine.

Weekly meetings are

held every Wednesday evening at the Norquest College Campus, beginning at 7 p.m.



NOTICE OF BY-ELECTION LOCAL AUTHORITIES ELECTION ACT (Sections 12, 35, 46)

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Voting will take place on the 7th day of MAY, 2015 at the voting stations listed below:
For Ward 1 Electors residing in the Town of Drayton Valley between the hours of 10:00 am and 8:00 pm at:
• The Max - Performing Arts Centre
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For Ward 1 Electors residing in Brazeau County lying west of the North Saskatchewan River between the hours of 10:00 am and 8:00 pm at:
• Violet Grove Community Centre
http://www.wildrose.ab.ca/community/community-hubs

Voter identification will be required:
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Mohammed Azim, Returning Officer

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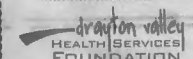
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Our editorial Fine Arts are very much alive in the area

Fine Arts are very much alive in the Counties of Beauce and Perle. This year's Visual Arts showcase featuring student artwork from 22 schools in Perle and Beauce County was held at Tornahawk School, the first time the school has ever hosted it since the event's inception. The principal and staff were excited that nobody would attend since it's the school furthest west in the county with just 122 students in it.

They needn't have worried. On the first day of the showcase that was to start at 5 p.m., students, parents and grandparents lined up at the door at 4:30, almost begging to be let in. By the time 7:15 rolled around, 450 people had walked through the doors to see art displays in the gym, hallways and downstairs, and they came not only from Tornahawk but from across the entire County as well. Some parents of school within the county had never been to Tornahawk School and were impressed by the artwork and the school, which not too long ago closed, used its 100th anniversary.

Visitors were amazed by the quality of the artwork, submitted by students in kindergarten up to Grade 12, particularly that of the students from Spruce Grove Composite High School, who constructed an Arts 2015 banner.

Closer to home, Drayton Valley hosted its annual Music Festival which showcased some 900 live performances at the Eleanor Pickard Arts Centre over the course of a few weeks that ended with a talent showcase. Performers did speech, singing, piano and a myriad of other

Canada



On Sibling Rivalry



Cathy's Comments
Cathy Weethan

Sibling rivalry. What's a childhood without fights? As adults, we're expected to be in control of ourselves. At children with siblings, anything is fair game. When I was a baby, about six months old, I was happily sitting in my baby carriage enjoying the great outdoors when my older sister, who had been asked my mother to watch me, decided it would be a great idea to feed me dirt straight out of the front garden. Claiming they thought I was hungry and in need of need of feeding, one spoonful of dirt after another went into my mouth, nose and ears — until my mother stopped the proceedings and took me inside for a bath. I don't think they were ever punished for their actions, and I did survive the ordeal.

When she was 12 and I was six we were and playing in the back yard. Something I said must have ticked her off, and my oldest sister threw a soft moccasin at me in a fit of rage. I ducked, she missed, and the moccasin sailed over

verbal altercations. The one time I lost a physical fight, it was because my sister covered herself in baby oil, the summer staple for getting a tan way back when. I couldn't for the life of me get a grip on her, and ended up on the receiving end of several blows to the head from her fists.

A friend of mine told me about the fights she used to have with her brother. One day they started a physical fight in the house and when told to take it outside, they did — plunging through the back door and hurtling into — and through — the outside railing in the process. Nobody was a winner that day.

I don't see my sisters anymore. One passed away at the age of 48 while the other one lives in Calgary. I don't see my brother anymore, either, but the only time we got into a physical fight was when I was the same height as he was and I pushed him against a wall.

Have you ever had fights with your siblings, and if yes, how did they turn out? Drop me a line and let me know.

Opinion

Reader not happy with Prentice

Urges Albertans to cast their votes on May 5 in order to change the political landscape

We have had five Premiers of this province since Ralph Klein resigned. Ralph left us in an enviable position — a balanced budget, money in the bank, and free of debt. He cut staff and spending, just like Imperial Oil, Shell Canada and Conoco Phillips, among others who did it then and are doing it now.

Our newest saviour has a different route to prosperity. We will have the restoration of health care premiums, although they will be the same as a percentage of income rather than as a monthly premium like we had before. The new health care levy will go into general revenue rather than directly into the health care budget, but we are told that this is not a tax. Of course, general revenue also funds pensions for government staff, funds for raising administrators, performance bonuses for those same administrators (who consistently receive bonuses but consistently fail to improve outcomes in any way, shape or form). General revenue is also where the taxes go for each litre of fuel that you purchase, but never seem to make it into road improvements.

Ironically is doing the same thing time after time and expecting different results.

We had established provincial voting dates for elections but that wasn't convenient for Mr. Prentice. He felt it necessary to spend \$28 million plus so that he can gain a mandate for his belated budget and terrible government. He brought in members of the Wild Rose Party into his own with promises that their voices would be heard, and then called an election while ensuring that most of those MLAs could not run as Conservatives. It was a sneaky and duplicitous act, but not at all unexpected for the governing party. With the primary opposition party gutted, he likely felt that it would begin another four years of Conservative rule.

The Conservatives offered a five per cent cut in pay. Why not cut the tax-free allowance to MLAs and bonuses to advisors, those department heads who, in large part, guided us into this mess in the first place. Why not take cuts in pay equal to those in the private sector, who not only take pay cuts, but too often are laid off?

It should be troubling to Alberta taxpayers to live in a province with the highest provincial income and the hardest working population to see our leaders squandering our hard-earned money, running deficits to pay severance packages and performance bonuses to incompetent administrators, making promises they have no intention of keeping, and raising our health care costs by a levy that goes into the general revenue stream while at the same time cutting the health care budget.

In the nine years since Ralph Klein retired, at least six of those years have been extremely profitable, yet we have gone from debt-free status to running a consistent deficit. The Conservatives lower corporate taxes when things were going well, and now that things are going poorly, we are told to look in the mirror while being forced to pay more for every single service that the province provides. More for alcohol and tobacco (both of which had an increase within the past 12 months), more for income taxes, more for property transfers, more for fees, permits, licenses, and a health care levy on top of everything. If this government could not run things well when things were the best that we could hope for, after 44 years of experience in power, can they honestly be trusted to run things when we are underpinning our current economic crisis?

Mr. Prentice, you are no EC Manning, no Peter Lougheed, and certainly not Ralph Klein. It is a disgrace that you would hold the same name as these distinguished men. You are a bad enough leader that I find myself looking longingly to the Alison Redford days.

Sincerely,

Res Grey
Drayton Valley

P.S. Please vote as it is the only way to have your voice heard. You can look at the results that we have had and see that we need a change: look to the other provinces and see the results they have had with their various provincial parties to see how they work here.

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Opinion

Ratepayer has questions to ask town councillors

Dear Editors:

I am a taxpayer in the town and have some questions to Council.

1. Building a covered outdoor rink - what was the research done on outdoor covered rinks with partial wall and/or complete walls? Do you think you can keep ice longer in a covered building? The answer is no. Where did the \$400,000.00 figure come from as a cost? Is this a comparison of costs in other communities, or costs done by hand? I do not believe it can be done for \$400,000.00 or less. Can you give me places that this type of project has been done successfully? Are

you of a mindset that if the project costs more, you will pick up extra costs, whatever they may be, and change the budget again? Where will the money come from? The county shares costs of some of the town's facilities, so instead, why can't people from town go out to Rocky Rapids or Violet Grove and share their skating risks? I believe in the support of our youth, but if there are facilities available, put them to use.

2. Mayor McLean stated in the local paper that the town would lose with the reduction of the county share on their residential tax (due to the annexation rules). Did the annexation not add to the

town's tax base in the meantime?

3. Was the county not billed another \$10,346.19 for a cost overrun on the maintenance of the airport? (April 7th meeting reference 192/15). I am concerned that the town cannot plan for some variance to their budget, but yet expect the county to bail them out whenever the budget gets adjusted.

4. Is it true that the water treatment plant is also being constructed with a large overrun? How does the town plan to offset this deficit?

5. If the bank is going dry, sometimes some things may have to be left until there is money.

6. It has been noticed that the mayor abstained from voting on many occasions due to pecuniary interests. It seems that his business or personal involvements are in the way of him being objective, and keeping him from voting on many issues. It may be time for him to consider if being a mayor is the right option for him or the town as a whole.

7. I know the county is having a municipal review. Maybe the town should have one also.

Les Huber
Drayton Valley

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Where suggested
Heather Levy's family went to Punta Cana Dominican Republic for her sister's wedding recently. Her son Mark Abbott brought the Western Review along for the trip.

ROVING REVIEW



News

WRSD board meeting notes

Justine Kinnison
Western Review

On April 21, the Wild Rose School Division (WRSD) held its regular board meeting. At the start of the board meeting, the board welcomed and swore in Heidi Hetherington as the division's Ward 5 Trustee.

DELEGATIONS

The first delegate was Breton Elementary's Mickey Kolody informing the board about the Leader in Me program that promotes "a safe, caring, and positive learning environment." Aim for Success coordinator Chris Lees, together with his action team, were also present at the board meeting as the second delegation. Lees informed the board of the work and achievements of the organization. According to Lees, one

of the biggest achievements of Aim for Success is to have 758 Evergreen students become the first in our province to receive the International John Muir Award for the environmental and conservation work." In 2015, Lees said Aim for Success wants to expand its mentoring program to include "an adult to student school-based mentoring program, inter-school mentoring to support students with school transition, and within schools, Y&Y teams will work to promote mentoring, mental health, and anti-bullying within schools." Aim for Success continues to work in partnership with Alberta Health Services (AHS), Alberta Education, and WRSD.

Drayton Christian School teacher Matt Nielsen was the third delegation at the board meeting. Nielsen was nominated for the Edwin Parr Teacher Award.

SCHOOL FIELD TRIP

WRSD approved in principle, Frank Maddock High School's field trip to France and Spain from March 23 to April 3, 2016.

GRADUATION DATES

The board had a discussion that a trustee has to go to schools within their ward on graduation to give a speech.

COAT DRIVE

The board discussed the Clothing Drive that was made possible because of the partnership between 4-H, Penn West, and WRSD. A total of 1252 items including winter jackets, snowsuits, scarves, and gloves were collected for the benefit of the children in Drayton Valley and area.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: What is the best thing about spring?



Ava Fedorova 9
That you can see all the green grass and it is muddy and you can jump in puddles.



Styła Gendey 9
That the rain comes down and we can splash in the puddle and the flowers bloom and are very pretty.



Ashton St. Jean 10
The best thing about spring is jumping on puddles.



Brennan Roeborn 10
The best thing about spring for me is playing outside with my friends.

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Hotel roof falls off in Cynthia

News from
the Drayton
Valley/Brazeau
County Fire Services

Mamta Lulla
Western Review

Drayton Valley/Brazeau County Fire Services were on site after roof of a local hotel in Cynthia fell off on Apr. 23. No

one was injured in the incident. **TWO CALLS** Fire department received two false calls from local businesses. On Apr. 23 a call came in from Power Centre Blvd and another on Apr. 24 from 64 St. **THIRTY-ONE** Drayton Valley/Brazeau County Fire Services is arranging its annual kids fire-fighting camp in Drayton Valley and Brazeau. Camp in Breton has spots for 18 children, with 32 spots in

Drayton Valley. The camp will look into doing fire fighting scenarios suitable for children, an art section and team building. Registration started May 1 with registration fee set at \$50. The fees covers a t-shirt, water bottle and snacks. **FIRE MALL TOURS** Currently Drayton Valley/Brazeau County Fire Services is inviting schools to tour the building. Recently, the Girl Guides of Canada took advantage of the service.

RCMP conducts a successful drug bust

News from
the Drayton
Valley RCMP

Mamta Lulla
Western Review

Drayton Valley RCMP members were involved in a drug bust recently that led to arrests of four people.

Two search warrants were conducted leading to a significant amount of drugs seized. More details will be available once everything is ironed out.

Sgt. Chris Delisle said he is proud of the work the members put into the recent search.

SHOOTING STREETLIGHTS On Apr. 29 around 1:15 a.m., someone called the RCMP informing them about five gun shots around Hwy. 22 and 50 Ave. Members of the detachment found a suspicious vehicle, pulled over with two occupants inside. The driver of the vehicle was arrested with impaired driving. There is an ongoing investigation that the members are conducting to look into potentially shooting street lights. Both occupants were male and were 22 and 24 years old.

NEW CORPORAL Cpl. Bryan Nolteheinz has joined the Drayton Valley RCMP recently as the position has been empty for a while. He has moved to Drayton Valley along with his family from B.C.

"I like it here, I like the size of the community, I didn't want to go somewhere too big," said Nolteheinz.

LEAVE THOSE SIGNS ALONE On Apr. 24 the local RCMP detachment received a call about election signs being taken down along Hwy. 39. Sgt. Chris Delisle explained it is against the law to take down the election signs as per the election act.

BMX STOLEN A BMX was stolen from a trailer court located west of town. The bike is burgundy in colour with white handle bars. The police are asking public to call them with any information.

GAS-AND-DASH On Apr. 27 around 10 a.m., a brown four-door truck took off without paying for fuel worth \$80 at a gas station on 50 St. RCMP members are looking to see if they can find a licence plate number off the surveillance camera.

\$2,600 FRAUD RCMP recently received a complaint about a resident sending \$2,600 to Thailand. Sgt. Chris Delisle said to not forward money when you get a call about possibly winning a trip somewhere.

"It's almost impossible for us to investigate those cases. Do not send money unless you are 100 per cent sure," he said.

Watch for symptoms of Lyme Disease while outside

News/Community

You may have heard of Lyme disease - the illness that's spread by the bite of an infected blacklegged tick. So if you're preparing to spend time outdoors, be mindful to keep away from this tick and remain alert if illness symptoms arise.

The symptoms of Lyme disease differ from person to person. They can include one or a combination of the following with varying degrees of severity: fatigue, fever or chills, headache, spasms or weakness, numbness or tingling, swollen lymph nodes, skin rash. Some people may have no symptoms at all. Other

ers may suffer severe symptoms, like nervous system disorders, arthritis or abnormal heartbeat. These can often occur weeks after the bite.

See your health care provider right away if any of the symptoms arise, especially after a tick bite. If you saved the tick that bit you, bring it to your medical appointment. It may help the doctor assess your illness. The sooner you get treatment, the sooner you can begin your recovery.

More information on Lyme disease is available at Canada.ca/LymeDisease.

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News



A toast to EPAC

Mamta Lulla
Western Review

EPAC stage often lets artists share their stories. But last week, people heard all its stories.

Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre celebrated its joint ownership between the Town of Drayton Valley and the Brazeau County last week.

Members of both municipalities, PC candidate for Drayton Valley-Devon and incumbent Diana McQueen, along with EPAC board, came together for a night of refreshments, champagne and to tell stories of EPAC.

After the meet and greet, EPAC board president David Platt took the stage, sharing the history and future of the centre.

"Several years ago a few local residents had an idea. At the time it was more like a dream - having a performing arts centre in our community," he said.

joint ownership of EPAC was agreed to, by the two municipalities recently.

The Town contributed about \$851,730 towards EPAC between 2008 and 2013. The amount was for the building purchase, adjacent land purchase, demolition expenses and building permit. The Town

committed a further \$200,000 in the 2014 budget. That brings the total town investment to \$851,730.

Total funding from the county towards EPAC is about \$651,000, of which the county has already contributed \$40,000 in 2011 and \$50,000 in 2013.

During his speech, Platt explained EPAC doesn't need any operational costs and is self-sustained.

"EPAC is jointly owned by the town and the county but run by the EPAC society, who takes care of the day to day operations. We are self-sustaining and are not seeking yearly operational grants or funds," he said.

A closer look into the future of EPAC includes a bigger lobby, completion of the new roof, and installation of a new heating and air conditioning system.

Before handing over the stage to McQueen, Mayor Glenn McLean and Deputy Reeve Marc Gressler in absence of Reeve Bart Guyon, Platt shared how busy the local theatre has been.

From the fall of 2014 till the end of April, EPAC was utilized for 110 days. Already in 2015 and 2016 the theatre is booked for 60 days.

Renovations of the centre run from May to September.

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President of Eleanor Pickup Centre board David Platt welcomed everyone to celebrate the joint ownership of the theatre between the Town of Drayton Valley and the Brazeau County.

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Mamta Lulla
Western Review

Jocelyn Nokinsky cut the bread and invited everyone to her store.

People gathered early on May 1 outside of Jocelyn's Your Independent Grocer for her bread-cutting ceremony on the grand opening of the supermarket.

Nokinsky had been working at the formerly known Extra Foods store as the store manager and is more than familiar with the community.

"This is what I have been doing my whole life. This is my career and I've

just taken it to the new step which is being the owner. When they posted the job, I applied for it right away, went through the interview process and rest is history," she said after welcoming customers in on grand opening.

In her attempt to transition from the old super market at the same location, Nokinsky has expanded her deli section, giving customers a wide selection of meat, cheeses and olives.

Can't find what you are looking for? That's no problem because the old and new faces at the store are ready to help customers. The new owner has added roughly about 40 new job positions at the store.

"My team and I are committed to providing fresh quality products and a superior customer service. The

store feels like a second home to me and I hope everyone will share my excitement for all great new things Jocelyn's Your Independent Grocer will offer the residents of Drayton Valley," she said in a release.

The ready-to-eat meals in store will have more than 21 different salads, 15 different sandwiches, a hot pizza station along with daily made pizzas, hot entrees, soups, etc, stated the release.

During the opening, the local owner contributed a cheque worth \$1,000 to the Drayton Area Community Food Bank. Inside people enjoyed free slices of cake and sampled the juice selection while light jazz music played in the background.

Store is open every day from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.



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ABOVE: A bread cutting ceremony took place on May 1 for Jocelyn's Your Independent Grocer with honoured guests.
BOTTOM LEFT: Store owner Jocelyn Nokinsky welcomed customers early in the morning just before the grand opening on May 1.
BOTTOM RIGHT: Inside customers were treated to a slice of cake on May 1.



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The contract period is for 3 years starting September 1st, 2015 to August 31st, 2018. After the 3 year period, with mutual consent, the contract may be extended for 3 additional years.

A RFP package can be obtained from the Division Central Office at 4906 – 50th Avenue, Leduc, AB T9E 6W9

All queries regarding this request for proposal are to be directed only to Colin McAleer, Safety & Transportation Officer at: 780-690-6318 or at: colin.mcaleer@starcatholic.ab.ca

The responses to this RFP must be in a sealed envelope and received by Noon on May 22, 2015 by:

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News

Crimestoppers

Brazeau County residents face criminal charges

Special to the Western Review

On April 24 members of the Breton and Thorby RCMP detachments conducted a search warrant at a residence located in Brazeau County.

As a result of the search warrant and subsequent investigations, Kyle LAVOIE and Derek LAVOIE of Brazeau County have been charged with several criminal charges, including Possession of Property obtained by Crime over \$5,000; Possession of Property obtained by Crime under \$5,000; Failing to comply with release conditions. The recovered property has a value over \$30,000.

The matters are still under investigation. Both Kyle and Derek LAVOIE are scheduled to appear in Breton Provincial Court on May 27.

Brazeau County has graciously been supporting the RCMP in enhanced funding, allowing a more concentrated effort in the reduction of property crimes in the community, and this is just one of many successes as a result.

Anyone with information in relation to this crime or any other crime is encouraged to contact the Breton or Thorby RCMP.

Thank you. Crimestoppers will pay a cash reward for information leading to the arrest of the person(s) responsible for these offences.

If you have any information on this or any other criminal offence, call Crimestoppers toll-free at 1-800-222-TIPS (222-8477). You do not have to reveal your identity and if your information leads to an arrest, you may qualify for a reward.

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Climate Change: What's in store for Eagle Point Park and Blue Rapids Recreation Area

Photo: Lisa
Special to the Western Review

With a rapidly changing climate and all its environmental, political and economic problems, I've been wondering what's in store for the North Saskatchewan River that runs through Brazeau County, is adjacent to Drayton Valley and is the heart of the Eagle Point Provincial Park and Blue Rapids Recreation Area. It seems maybe like a minor issue in the big scheme of things regarding climate change, but the North Saskatchewan River and the parks are important.

Canada's greenhouse gas emissions are on the rise despite our collective promise to reduce them. And lots of Albertans are OK with that, arguing that Canada's minuscule 2% contribution to global emissions is a drop in the bucket and other countries like China, India and the United States need to do much more before we here in Alberta and Canada should do more.

Ummmm. I think there are several faulty things about this view. Its like discounting Canada's second world war effort because we only accounted for less than two percent of the allied war effort, as an environmentalist recently implied, whereas our leadership in the Second World War certainly made a big difference. Where is the leadership that Albertans often proudly proclaim, given that today, if Alberta were a country, it would rank as the highest or close to the highest per capita greenhouse gas polluter in the world? Is our pride in our leadership abilities as Albertans only a false pride? We make promises but with a wink-wink here and a nod-nod there? Our promises aren't worth much?

Maybe effective action by us on climate change, as one academic says, requires focussing on political and economic structures that presently promote unsustainable consumption and weak environmental laws. Oh my goodness. Who can influence that, except at election time? Maybe there is simply a communications breakdown. Maybe the scale of climate change is the root of the dilemma. Greenhouse gases are produced locally by individual households, drivers and industries, but carbon emissions move quickly from local sites into atmospheric systems and affect communities and ecosystems worldwide. Climate change impacts are most observable in the Arctic and Antarctic, which are out of sight to those of us producing the damage. If it is not in our backyard, we don't pay attention. And if it is not

immediate crisis, the media generally doesn't pay attention. And the media certainly have difficulty paying attention, with some exceptions, to complex issues like climate change.

It gets really complicated when our paycheques here in Brazeau County and Alberta rely so much on the fossil fuel industry. It's a matter of the economy. That's the explanation! But here again, the logic is faulty. The cost of failing to effectively deal with climate change will almost certainly outweigh the costs of acting now. Think: floods, heat waves, adaptation efforts, rising sea levels, water scarcity, lower crop yields and wildfires. But that cost largely won't be ours. It will fall on our children and grandchildren, and human nature being what it is, the crisis is simply too far in the future for us to care enough today.

What's likely to happen to the North Saskatchewan River and its watershed? Dr. Dave Schindler and other scientists predict that that climate warming and human modifications to watersheds have already significantly reduced its flow during the summer months, when human demand and in-stream flow needs are greatest. They predict that in the near future climate warming, via its effects on glaciers, snowpacks, and evaporation, will combine with cyclic drought and rapidly increasing human activity to cause a crisis in water quantity and quality with far-reaching implications to Albertans. They predict that the vast majority of the glaciers that feed prairie rivers will likely be gone in our grandchildren's lifetime, leading to major water shortage problems. Although the Bow River that supplies Calgary and other communities and farmlands will be among the first hit by glacier decline, the glaciers feeding the North Saskatchewan River will last a little longer, but not much longer. Based on what I see today, I believe them. The watershed of the North Saskatchewan River, which includes most of Brazeau County, will become warmer and even though precipitation may be higher in winter and spring, the warmer temperatures will increase the risk of severe droughts. Much of Brazeau County will lose our lodgepole pine and spruce forests and become grasslands and parklands. Huh?

I find it difficult to imagine the pace and scale of change we are facing over the next few decades. I will have to try to delve a bit deeper into what Eagle Point and Blue Rapids parks are facing and what solutions are possible. If you have information on this, please contact me at peter@prpbkpcouncil.org.

Need to get something off your chest?

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Tenders must be received by the County of Wetaskiwin No. 10 by 10:00 a.m. local time, Friday May 8, 2015. SEALED TENDERS must be addressed as follows:

TWIN LAKES PARK ATTENDANT TENDER
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Director of Leisure & Community Services
County of Wetaskiwin No. 10
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Tenders are to be submitted on the Contract Tender Form. Tenders must also include a current resume of the applicant. Failure to provide all required information may result in rejection of the tender package.

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Mamta Lulla Western Review
National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) provided tournament was in Drayton Valley recently. It was made possible through a strong partnership between Safford Club International (SCI) Drayton Valley Chapter, Brazeau Bowbenders, Alberta Hunter Education Instructors Association (AHEIA), and Cabela's.

FMHS AMAZONS RUGBY GIRLS



Justine Kimoden Western Review
On April 27, Frank Maddock High School's Amazons senior and junior rugby team played the Jasper Final Tournament at FMHS's field. The Amazons senior team brought home the gold after beating the juniors by a final score of 29-12.

TRAPPERS POTLUCK



Mamta Lulla Western Review
Drayton Valley Trappers hosted a spring potluck party recently along with a silent auction that same night.

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'Kinda' Kenny Rogers coming to Drayton Valley June 2

Carthy Weetman
Western Review

Kenny Rogers is coming to perform in Drayton Valley for one night only - well, kinda.

Kinda Kenny is a tribute to Kenny Rogers featuring look alike performer Marty Edwards. He and his band, The Revival, will be performing at the Mackenzie Conference Centre on June 2, at 7:30 p.m. and fans of Kenny Rogers' music will not want to miss this performance.

Edwards got his musical start from his mother, who used to play piano and sing on the radio in the 1940s. As Edwards says, "One of her favourite songs was called 'Desert Song'. For some reason she had me learn it and sing it whenever company came over. I was so shy, it was embarrassing and frightening. It wasn't until years later, when I was growing up as a teenager in the late 50s and early 60s that I would sing along to songs like 'Volunteer Mountain' and I really loved singing. In the late 60s I started learning guitar and accompanied myself. I think the thrill of performing outweighed the embarrassment factor," recalled Edwards.

Edwards said he once worked in a factory, and while waiting for his shift to start, he'd sit in a shower block with his guitar and sing songs. A co-worker at the factory, who had a hard hat that just looked like a guitar, heard him sing and invited him to be their new lead singer.

"I went down Sunday, bought an electric guitar and amp and auditioned. After my audition, they said, 'You're in and by the way, your first gigs are on Friday'."

Edwards said as time went by, he got tired of performing, so he quit, sold his equipment, went to university, and

studied political science, and then taught for awhile. But the performing bug came back and bit him again, so Edwards once again took up a new guitar and amp and went back into performing.

Shortly afterward, Edwards met a woman (now his wife), wrote a song for her, called "The Way I Feel," put it on a cassette tape and gave it to local music producer James Bowers. Bowers began booking him into various venues and one night, while Edwards was singing a Kenny Rogers ballad, he noticed the uncanny resemblance in both looks and singing styles to Kenny Rogers.

"Bowers asked me, 'Have you ever thought about doing a Kenny Rogers tribute?'" noted Edwards. "I always loved Kenny Rogers material, but I never thought about doing a tribute to him."

Shortly afterwards, Bowers produced a benefit concert for abused children, and Edwards performed a short one-act musical tribute to Rogers in addition to doing his own material. It went over so well Edwards was asked to perform at other venues. From there his tribute, called Kinda Kenny, was created and since then, Edwards has also raised thousands of dollars for children's charities, delighting audiences in the process.

"I'm big on dreaming. I've been so blessed. I had a good childhood growing up and I feel so happy, explaining why he loves to perform for children's charities."

Since Kinda Kenny began, Edwards has travelled all over the world, including an eight-week tour of Australia for the eighth time. But performing in Canada is where his heart is.

"I just finished an Ontario tour, while Kenny Rogers was performing at Casino Rama in Barrie. A few people who saw Kenny first came up to me during my meet and greet after my show and one of them said, 'Man, you nailed it. I want them to go 'wow' after my show,'" said Edwards.

Has Edwards ever met Kenny Rogers?

Yes, two times, with the second meeting in his second one in 2002, when Rogers stopped his performance to introduce Edwards and to show how close the resemblance was between the two of them.

Edwards was asked if he would ever consider a face and eye lift that Rogers had done in the past.

"I have not and will not. I've had so many people saying, 'you're not going to do that, are you?' Fans want to see the original look, and so do the producers," he said.

It seems would like a chance to score some free tickets to Kinda Kenny. Fill out your name and phone number underneath the ad about the show in this paper, and drop it off at the Western Review office.

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River Valley Players looking for actors but experience not that necessary

Carthy Weetman
Western Review

River Valley Players has set the audition date for their upcoming production The Mousetrap: A Murder Mystery.

The club is looking to fill eight characters for the show. Auditions will be held on May 30 and 31 at Evergreen School.

"We are going to be holding auditions on Saturday, May 30, from 10 a.m. to noon and then 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.," said production manager, Allie Spicer-Riess.

"The auditions are by appointment and we are also open for auditions on Sunday, May 31, but we might also do callbacks that day as well. If we have a number of people for the same role and we are not quite sure, then we will probably call them back and look at them again."

For anyone who is interested in auditioning but cannot make it to those dates, Spicer-Riess said to contact her to set up an appointment at an earlier date.

"If people cannot make that weekend then we would like to see people before that date so we can maybe arrange another evening during the week," she said.

Potential cast members for the show are expected to memorize a script given before the auditions.

"People do have to memorize a small scene in advance and they will also be given a piece at the auditions," Spicer-Riess said. "We are looking for males and females at the ages of 20 to 60. There are a number

of younger characters who are 20 years old and then there is a number of older characters, as well."

Acting experience is not necessary and the show's production team will be available to provide instructions to new actors.

"We do say no experience required, although it does help," Spicer-Riess said. "However, if you have no experience, come along. You just do not know what will happen. It is all about your look, the way you project yourself, and your ability to memorize scripts. There are a lot of things to take into account. Obviously, there will be direction given. Jan Wright is the director of the show and then we have an excellent production team made up of really experienced theatre people."

Spicer-Riess said auditioning for a role for the show will not only be developing someone's acting skills but will also be an opportunity to meet new people in town.

"For people who have been in shows before, it is a wonderful experience. It is a very special experience," she said. "It is fun meeting other people and working with new people. The actual process of putting on a show is very interesting in itself. It can be very intense, however, for a small show like this, it is actually quite nice. It is very different from a musical in that aspect."

For anyone interested in auditioning for a role, contact Allie Spicer-Riess by texting (780) 514-9182 or e-mailing her at allie.spicer@hotmail.com. Audition appointments can also be made through River Valley Player's Facebook page.

News

Permanent food

I said to myself, "If Claude Monet can do it, I can do it." So I did.

Eleven years ago I was in France on vacation and took a tour of the Claude Monet Estate in Giverny. You will recall that he was quite a painter with a keen eye for sunflowers and water lilies.

To the great relief of my wife and family, I was not inspired to take up the brush and begin slapping water colour on canvas. No, I decided to take my garden to a new level: the Monet Level. It was him, after all, who said, "I am a gardener first and a painter second."

Monet relied on his gardening experience for inspiration to paint some of his most valuable work. It is a shame that he did not paint his apple fence as it was this particular form of espalier that caught my eye that day. Using dwarf apple varieties, trained on a stiff wire fence, he cordoned off the east end of his garden.



David J. Davidson

I came home and planted 27 dwarf apples with the same purpose: to delineate my one-acre vegetable garden from the rest of my property. The results have been outstanding - and much less work than you can imagine (I'll get to that shortly).

You can do this too. All you need is a minimum of six hours of sunshine and a wall, fence, or open space. The idea is to prune the tree into a two-dimensional form. Some people like the can-debra effect; others will go for a fan shape. Me? I use the linear outline of the two horizontal wires in the fence as my guide, just as Monet did. It is

easy and I estimate that it takes me a total of about an hour a year to prune, spray and harvest from each tree (total time commitment 27 hours/year). No big deal. And it is fun.

Here is what you need to know:

1. Cross pollination. If you live in the 'burbs or the city, don't put too fine a point on this. It is true that apples, pears, plums and sweet cherries require a mate to flower at the same time and must be of a different variety in order to maximize their fruit bearing potential. The truth? There are so many blooming trees in a typical suburban or urban neighbourhood that pollinators, like bees and hummingbirds, will likely find your tree and a mate without trying. In other words, cross pollination ensures that apples are produced.

2. All fruit trees prefer quality, well-drained soil and a minimum of six hours of sunshine (a point worth repeating). Add

composted manure to your existing soil and ensure that it's the 'good stuff', certified 'Compost Quality Alliance'. Add the equivalent of one 20 kg bag of compost to existing soil or, if you have clay for soil, add two or three 20 kg bags of triple mix to the hole and dispose of the stuff you dug out. Dig the hole about a meter wide and about 60 cm deep.

3. Plant the tree high: the 'knob' or union of the trunk and roots should be 15 to 20 cm above the grade to allow water to run off the root zone (trees do not like to sit in water). Mound the good soil up to the knob but don't cover it.

4. Mulch the tree roots with finely ground cedar mulch at the time of planting to insulate the moist roots from the heating rays of sun come mid-summer. Be careful not to overwater your new trees. Push your finger into the soil around the tree up to your second knuckle (about 5 cm); only add water when this

top portion of soil is dry.

5. Insects and disease. Use a dormant spray in mid-April to kill overwintering diseases and insects; add a combo of sulphur, insecticidal soap and Bordo Mixture beginning in early June every two weeks until mid-August. No need to do this until your trees begin to produce a serviceable volume of fruit; usually in the third or fourth year.

6. Buy dwarf plants. Unless you own a large piece of real estate and enjoy climbing ladders, look for dwarf and semi-dwarf stock when shopping for fruit trees. This is especially true for apples.

I am looking forward to harvesting bushels of apples from my Monet apple fence. He might have had an eighty year head start on me, but that's ok; the success of his apple fence tells me that this is a long-term project that my grandchildren (which I don't currently have) may enjoy.

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How safe is your patio deck?

News Canada

Follow this checklist to ensure safety and avoid collisions.

It's the time of year when Canadians throw open their doors and step onto their patio decks for another season of outdoor entertaining and family barbecues.

It's also the time when smart homeowners dedicate a few crucial moments to ensuring that their decks are safe because every year, deck collapses in backyards across North America continue to cause serious injuries and fatalities.

The North American Deck and Railing Association (NADRA) a trade organization of deck manufacturers, dealers and builders, estimates that 40 million or more decks in North America are more than 20 years old.

Some homeowners are avoiding deck repairs and failure by turning to new high-tech deck systems that are maintenance free, such as the Canadian-made SigmaDeck system featuring aerospace aluminum and porcelain components that will not wear out.

As part of NADRA's annual "Check Your Deck" public awareness campaign, they offer homeowners this checklist for patio deck safety.

• Examine all areas of your deck for split or decaying wood, particularly where the deck attaches to the house, near the railings and stairs, and all support posts beneath the deck surface where moisture accumulates.

• Fasteners such as nails, screws or anchors used during installation can come loose over time. Check to ensure firm connections and repair as needed.

• Railings and banisters can get loose and become particularly dangerous due to wear and tear over time. Test them to ensure they are firmly in place.

• Laminating starts to ensure each step is solidly in place and as a precaution never clutter stairs with planters, decor or any items that can pose a tripping hazard.

• Wood deck coatings are durable but they can wear

over time, particularly with the typical extremes of cold and heat in Canada. Examine deck boards for a consistent surface and renew waterproof coating or paint as needed for ongoing protection from the elements.

• Lighting can present a trouble source when debris builds up or when lights become blocked by plants or tree limbs. Check all deck lighting to ensure light covers are in place, in contact with anything and examine all wiring and electrical cords being used outdoors to ensure a safe connection. Cords that become loose can also present a tripping hazard so check for proper placement as well.

• Even safe decks face the risk of damage or collapse if nearby trees have large limbs that overhang the deck area. Be sure there is no danger that any tree limbs could come in contact with your deck in the event that they break off unexpectedly during a storm or due to age and decay.

For more deck safety tips and information visit www.sigmadek.com.

Summer fun begins in the backyard

No matter what the season, Canadians love being outdoors. While Canadians will brave the elements year round, things are made a lot easier during the spring and summer months.

The amount of warm weather activities are endless, however for many Canadians the best memories are of time spent with friends and family at the cottage or in the backyard.

One of the necessities for any outdoor gathering is a powerful barbecue. The right grill, with accessories can provide you and your guests with mouth watering meats, pizzas, vegetables and more. Here are some things to look for when searching for your new grill.

Cooking Grids: Look for a grill with heavy cast iron or stainless steel cooking grids. Thick lightly spaced rods provide superior heat retention that delivers searing heat across the entire grilling surface.

Vaporization: Pool drippings that are allowed to drop through to the grease tray are simply lost flavour. When you are shopping for a grill look for a vaporizing system that fully covers the cook box. This allows

vaporization to occur everywhere, maximizing the flavour of your food.

The Burner System: The burner system is one of the most important features in any grill. If you already own a grill, you know that nothing is more frustrating than doing the grill dance - rotating your food around the grill because of uneven heat distribution.

Look for a grill with multiple burners and flame ports on both sides for the best coverage. An important tip to note with tube burners is gas has a natural tendency to pool at the front.

Make sure you look for a burner with Dual-Tube design like in Broil King grills. This is engineered to ensure even flame from front to back. For peace of mind consider a grill with a burner warranty of at least 10 years.

If you are selecting a grill for the cottage, make sure to also purchase a cover to protect from inclement weather and animals. These are just a few helpful tips to keep in mind when you are looking for your next grill. Do your research, read consumer reviews, and ask the store's customer service representatives any questions that you may have.

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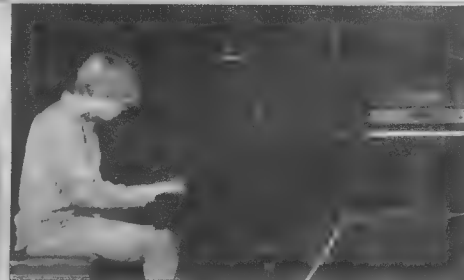
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MUSIC FESTIVAL SHOWCASE

Justine Kimmoden Western Review

Performers who received provincial recommendations came back on stage on the last night of the two-week long Drayton Valley Kidz Club Performing Arts Festival. The festival showcase was held at the Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre on April 30. For more photos, continue on to page 26.



Above: Dennis Zaitch played Waltz on the piano

Left: Carson Mulgrew performed the Simple Man on the guitar

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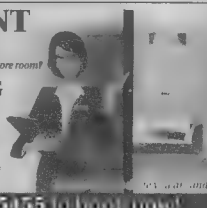
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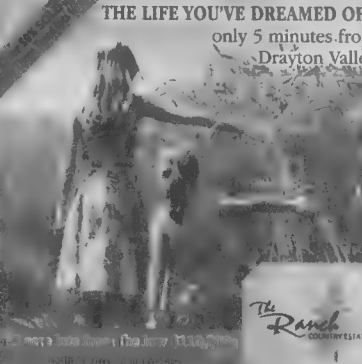
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Justine Kinnison Western Review
Amelia Muller performed a Musical Theatre piece
entitled The Work Song.



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Top left photo:
For speech,
Monica Berggren
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Antigone.

Bottom left photo:
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sang A Thousand
Years.



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School notebook

BY JILLIAN

EL DORADO

Krrrrh, me matey! It was "Pirate Day" in M. Rosell's kindergarten class last week. The pirates walked the plank while cannonballs flew, worked at centres under the eye of Captain Rosell and First Mate Ms. Pepperyn and were lucky enough to find treasure on their treasure hunt outside! The Choir will have its year-end pizza and pool party this Friday the 8th. Choir members make sure to complete the party form that was sent home and return it to Ms. Barry.

We hosted the annual Music Monday performance in the Aurora gym on the 4th. The Aurora Choir and the grade 6s represented our school. As well, FM's band and choir at Eldorado School performed.

Again, thank you to the PAC and volunteers who hosted the Movie Night. It was a great success with the gym stuffed full of families, raising close to \$1200 for school programs and projects. We would like to thank Extra Food and the Cadmus Theatre for their generous donations as well as Bob Dale Oilfield Construction for the use of their popcorn machine.

Congratulations to the Aurora Junior and Senior Choirs who participated in the Performing Arts Festival at Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre. The children looked wonderful in their finest clothes and performed very well. Thank you to all the parents who came out and supported the event, to choir director Ms. Heather Barry and to accompanist Dawn Gunderson.

The grade 6s visited HW Pickup Jr. High on April 28 as an orientation to grade 7, the building, the programs, options, and extra curricular activities. Congratulations to all of our archery results from the provincial tournament can be found at the link below: <http://naapourismarts.org/Tourna-mentDetail.aspx?id=718>

On the Owl was a bit when he came to visit from the Medicine River Wildlife Centre. On the Owl was raised at the Centre when someone brought him in as an abandoned chick and he has been doing school tours like a pro for years.

The Garden committee is looking for some help with building and prepping our outdoor garden in May. We are needing the assistance of a bobcat and driver to remove an area of grass and dirt that is in the front of the school. The dirt and grass will need to be hauled away. We are also looking for anyone or small business that has experience installing chain link fencing. If you are able to assist us, or know someone who could please contact Krista Roy by phoning the school.

The annual Battle of the Books competition will take place on May 7 at the Town Hall Council Chambers.

To celebrate Education Week we will be having a pancake breakfast on Friday, May 8th. All parents and families are invited! It begins at 8:15 am and ends when tummies are full.

This week is education week we have many activities planned for our school community.

May 1 Music Monday
May 2 H. Hill Expo
May 6 Volunteer Tea
May 7 Battle of the Books
May 8 Recommended choir go to provincial Festival

A big thank you to all staff and students who contributed to this very special week.

Mrs. Hutchinson and her 1st students would like to say thank you to the Drayton Valley Civic Centre library, Tyler at Big West radio, and the fine folks at the Twin Diner restaurant, for letting us come to visit and learn about your place of business and service to our town.

What's going on?

May 15 no school

May 18 Victoria Day, no school

May 13 Grade 6 English language arts, PAT, 9 AM - 11 AM.

EVERGREEN

This week is Education Week. We welcome community members who will read books to us this week. Vermilion Energy will be treating our students and staff to a pancake breakfast on May 8th! Ham, pancakes, fruit and juice. Very much appreciated, thank you!

Good luck to our Battle of the Books teams on May 7th. They will be representing our school in the 20th year of competition organized by the town libraries. We are hoping they will be able to show off their reading skills in the jeopardy-like game in our assembly on May 8th.

Congratulations to Mark Peppier, who is replacing Mrs. Bullock in the grade six classroom as she gets ready for baby to arrive. Mr. Peppier was a very busy guest teacher for us and we are excited to have him officially on staff.

Tim Hortons has donated Timbits as a participation prize for each of our students who participated in the spellingathon. You learn how to spell challenging words, set a goal and receive a Timbit! Super! Let Tim Hortons know how much we appreciate their generosity next time you are there.

Now, our garden beds look great with the new paint & the new black dirt. We are now ready to start planting! The grade sixes have already planted their garden box. The other grades have been out planting their garden beds. We have some empty perennial beds. If you are splitting any perennials & would like to donate, we would be grateful. We also are looking for some annuals that would help fill our gardens with color & taste. If you have any bedding plants that you would like to donate, we thank you. You can donate them to your child's home room teacher or bring them to the office.

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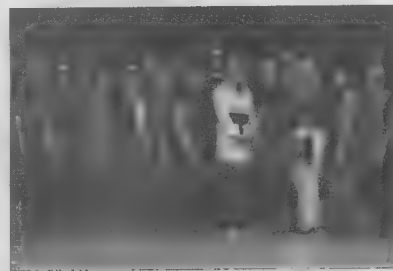
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EPAC FACTS

- EPAC was named to recognize community icon Eleanor Pickup, who was a lover of local arts.
- EPAC was incorporated as a non-profit society in 2007 and received official charitable status in 2014.
- The EPAC Board of Directors is made up of volunteers from the Town and County, including a representative from both Town and County councils.
- The EPAC Board of Directors has been managing the facility since 2007. All operational expenses are paid by EPAC.
- The Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre has become the home of the Drayton Valley Kin Club Performing Arts Festival that highlights local talent throughout April.
- Valley Voices made EPAC its permanent performance venue and has provided risers for the new stage.
- EPAC has become a focal point for both local and professional performing arts events and concerts.



Drayton Valley Town Councillors, Brazeau County Councillors, Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre Directors, local supporters, and donors met on April 28 to celebrate the joint ownership of the Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre by the Town of Drayton Valley and Brazeau County.

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has been named to recognize Eleanor Pickup, a
community icon, the Town of
Drayton Valley, and Brazeau County
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ownership of the arts.

EPAC FIGURES

- Since it started in 2011, EPAC's Concert Series has become a great success, with 100% sold out shows in the 2014/2015 season. Sales are already underway for the 2015/16 season.
- From the fall of 2014 to the end of April 2015, EPAC was utilized on 110 days. In April, the centre was booked for 22 days. The local Kin Club Performing Arts Festival had 367 performances with just fewer than 1,000 participants. It was run by 60 volunteers and there were thousands of members of our community in attendance.
- Already in 2015/16 the theatre is booked for 60 days. Reservations will start this May and the centre will re-open in September.
- The theatre truly is a community facility embraced and used regularly by both Town and County residents. It has become a vital component of the region's

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12. Smooth and hysteresis
14. Equal, profits
15. ~~Unhappy~~ guests
16. One who puts up with
18. H. Potter's BFF
19. Strays
20. ~~Unhappy~~ guests
21. Over the counter (abbr.)
22. ~~Unhappy~~ guests
23. OWT's sibling judge
- 26-4 way to cut off
27. ~~Unhappy~~ guests
31. Sacred tobacco pipe
32. Electronic data processor
33. # of nativity kings
34. Nebraska's largest city
39. School spirit rally
40. ~~Unhappy~~ guests
44. Belonging to Greek folk
46. Daisy daisy
47. Skilled in many areas
48. Mares river city
51. Brawl
51. Extreme heat
56. Caribbean monetary unit
57. Earthboard box (abbr.)

59. Esoteric
60. Sword similar to a foil
61. ... you!
62. Grass tree
63. Queen of Sparta
64. Stage device of geological time
65. Supply with nourishment

CLUES DOWN

1. Czar
2. Czech River
3. New Senator since 1987
4. Artisan of ancient Media
5. Russian meat pie
6. ~~Man-made~~ (See answer below)
7. Harmony
8. Watery discharge from the eyes or nose
9. ~~Antique~~
10. "Breaking the Silence" author *Katrina*
11. Crumbling brick
12. Florida state dessert
13. Della ... singer
14. Meskita fishing device
15. Storage warehouse
16. Play a role
17. Humbug
18. Single Lens Reflex
19. ~~Stitch~~
20. Parts of an hour (abbr.)
26. A.K.A. opt ray

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APRIL - Mar 21/Mar 29
You are a mystery lady, Aries. No one is quite sure what will set you off, and you may like to surprise, but share your plans every so often with those closest to you.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, surround yourself with positive people who maintain optimistic outlook. Many opportunities will open up if you give a genuine attempt.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, you may resist social activities this week at first, but you will end up being swept up in the fun and love your hobbies. Use social activity as a way to network.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 21
Cancer, if you are thinking about a career move, it's best to wait until you are 100 percent sure. The week may find you are full of energy and ready for a new challenge.

LEO - Jul 22/Aug 23
Leo, a renewed sense of enthusiasm has taken hold of you and you are full of plans. Perhaps a new course of study will excite and pave the way for new experiences.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
A chance encounter with an old flame rises to the surface and makes you realize you've changed. Even if these feelings are less dramatic, you're still tempted to act on

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, it is up to you to initiate action in a situation that you desire. You cannot wait until something is done for you. Don't hesitate to step up and take charge.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22
A difference of opinion may be highlighted at work and if you are confronted by a coworker, Scorpio, act with integrity, but be firm with your resolve.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, others may try to stop you from doing what you are determined to enjoy yourself. Your entire week is focused on having a good time with friends and family.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, others may cancel control of the changes in your life, so you do have firm control over your personal health. Don't put off managing your diet and exercise.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, you will have to wait your party bus by the most few days, but you can handle it. Let off steam with a few different fun activities when you have time.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
Use caution when making decisions this week, Pisces. You can be prone to impulsive behavior, and you don't want to look foolish in front of others.

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REV. EMMA VICKERY

SUNDAY SERVICES
 8:00 a.m. — *Holy communion* (Book of Common prayer)
 9:30 a.m. — *Family Eucharist* (Book of Alternative Service)
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